

Chambers of Chief Judge Edith Hollan Jones
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Edith Hollan Jones
Chief Judge

Date of Birth: 1949
Education: Cornell 1971 BA; Texas 1974 JD
Began Service: 1985
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Affiliation: Member, Chambers of Member Edith Hollan Jones, Judicial Conference of the United States

Legal Practice: Attorney, Andrews Kurth LLP (1974-1985)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; Fifth Circuit Bar Association; Houston Bar Association; State Bar of Texas

Staff

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Chambers of Circuit Judge Carolyn Dineen King
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Carolyn Dineen King
Circuit Judge

Date of Birth: 1938
Education: Smith 1959 AB; Yale 1962 LLB
Began Service: July 13, 1979
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter
Political Affiliation: Independent



Affiliation: Councilor, Council, The American Law Institute

Judicial: Chief Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit (1999-2006); Member, Judicial Conference of the United States (1999-2006); Member, Executive Committee, Judicial Conference of the United States (2000-2005); Chairman, Executive Committee, Judicial Conference of the United States (2002-2005)

Legal Practice: Associate, Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. (1962-1972); Partner, Childs, Fortenbach, Beck & Guyton (1972-1978); Partner, Sullivan, Bailey, King, Randall & Sabom (1978-1979)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; The American Law Institute; Federal Bar Association; Houston Bar Association; State Bar of Texas

Staff

Law Clerk **Steven Koh** (713) 250-5753
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Chambers of Circuit Judge E. Grady Jolly
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E. Grady Jolly
Circuit Judge

Date of Birth: 1937
Education: Mississippi 1959 BA, 1962 LLB
Began Service: August 2, 1982
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan
Political Affiliation: Republican

Government: Trial Attorney, National Labor Relations Board (1962-1964); Assistant United States Attorney, Northern District of Mississippi, United States Department of Justice (1964-1967); Trial Attorney, Tax Division, United States Department of Justice (1967-1969)

Legal Practice: Partner, Jolly, Miller & Milam (1969-1982)

Staff

Judicial Assistant **Alice O. Gilbert** (601) 965-4165

Chambers of Circuit Judge W. Eugene Davis
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W. Eugene Davis
Circuit Judge

Date of Birth: 1936
Education: Tulane 1960 JD
Began Service: 1983
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Judicial: Judge, United States District Court for the Western District of Louisiana (1976-1983)

Legal Practice: Associate, Phelps, Dunbar, Marks, Clavier & Sims (1960-1964); Associate then Partner, Caffery, Duhe & Davis (1964-1976)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; Louisiana State Bar Association; Maritime Law Association of the United States

Staff

Career Law Clerk **Alison Brumley** (337) 593-5290
Education: Chicago 1991 JD
Judicial Assistant **Linda Henshaw** (337) 593-5280
Education: LSU 1971 BS
Judicial Assistant **Deborah Mahony** (337) 593-5280

Chambers of Circuit Judge Jerry E. Smith
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Jerry E. Smith
Circuit Judge

Date of Birth: 1946
Education: Yale 1969 BA, 1972 JD
Began Service: January 7, 1988
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan
Political Affiliation: Republican

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Halbert O. Woodward, United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas (1972-1973)

Chambers of Circuit Judge Jerry E. Smith continued

Government: Board Member, Harris County Housing Authority, Community and Economic Development Department, County of Harris, Texas (1978-1980); Chairman, Civil Service Commission, City of Houston, Texas (1982-1984); City Attorney, Legal Department, City of Houston, Texas (1984-1988)

Legal Practice: Attorney, Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. (1973-1984)

Current Memberships: Houston Bar Association; State Bar of Texas

Staff

Law Clerk **Chris Hogan** (713) 250-5101
Began Service: 2008
Law Clerk **William Rothwell** (713) 250-5101
Began Service: 2008
Law Clerk **Steve Schwartz** (713) 250-5101
Began Service: 2008
Law Clerk **Hanah Volokh** (713) 250-5101
Began Service: 2008
Secretary **Penelope "Penny" Stautberg** (713) 250-5101
Education: Trinity U 1971 BA

Chambers of Circuit Judge Jacques L. Wiener, Jr.

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Jacques L. Wiener, Jr.
Circuit Judge

Date of Birth: 1934
Education: Tulane 1956 BA, 1961 JD
Began Service: May 25, 1990
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush
Political Affiliation: Republican

Legal Practice: Partner, Wiener, Weiss & Madison (1961-1990)

Military Service: United States Navy (1956-1958)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; American Bar Foundation, American Bar Association; American College of Trust and Estate Counsel; The American Law Institute; The International Academy of Estate and Trust Law; Louisiana State Bar Association; Louisiana Bar Foundation, Louisiana State Bar Association; Shreveport Bar Association

Staff

Law Clerk **T. Haller Jackson IV** (504) 310-8098
Began Service: 2008
Term Expires: September 2009
Education: Tulane 2008 JD
Law Clerk **Cadence Mertz** (504) 310-8098
Began Service: September 2008
Term Expires: August 2009
Law Clerk **Adam Roth** (504) 310-8098
Began Service: 2008
Secretary **Mary Lynne Clogher** (504) 310-8098
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Chambers of Circuit Judge Rhessa H. Barksdale
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Rhessa H. Barksdale
Circuit Judge

Note: U.S. District Judge Rhessa H. Barksdale will be taking Senior Status on August 8, 2009.

Date of Birth: 1944
Education: West Point 1966 BS; Mississippi 1972 JD
Began Service: April 1990
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Academic: Assistant Professor of Military Science, The University of Akron (1969-1970); Instructor, School of Law, The University of Mississippi (1975-1976); Instructor, School of Law, Mississippi College (1976)

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Byron R. White, Supreme Court of the United States (1972-1973)

Legal Practice: Attorney, Butler, Snow, O'Mara, Stevens & Cannada, PLLC (1973-1990)

Military Service: United States Army (1966-1970)

Staff

Secretary **Jonna H. Welch** (601) 965-5840

Chambers of Circuit Judge Emilio M. Garza
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Emilio M. Garza
Circuit Judge

Date of Birth: 1947
Education: Notre Dame 1969 BA, 1970 MA; Texas 1976 JD
Began Service: June 7, 1991
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Judicial: Judge, Texas District Court, 225th Judicial District (1987-1988); Judge, United States District Court for the Western District of Texas (1988-1991)

Legal Practice: Attorney, Clemens, Spencer, Welmaker & Finck (1976-1987)

Military Service: United States Marine Corps (1970-1973); United States Marine Corps Reserve (1973-1979)

Current Memberships: San Antonio Bar Association; State Bar of Texas

Staff

Law Clerk **Chad Atlas** (210) 525-2950
Law Clerk **Mark Primo-Hopkins** (210) 525-2950
Law Clerk **(Vacant)** (210) 525-2950
Judicial Assistant **Carolyn McFadden** (210) 525-2950

Chambers of Circuit Judge Fortunato P. Benavides
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Fortunato P. Benavides
Circuit Judge

Date of Birth: 1947
Education: Houston 1968 BBA, 1972 JD
Began Service: 1994
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton
Political Affiliation: Democrat

Government: Commissioner, Juvenile Probation Commission, State of Texas (1983-1989)

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